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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collections Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal Communications Commission invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS

AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If you anticipate that

you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed

by this notice, you should advise the FCC contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email to <u>PRA@fcc.gov</u>

and to Cathy. Williams@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the

information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0874.

Title: FCC Form 2000 A through H, FCC Form RDA, FCC Form 475-B, FCC Form 1088 A

through H, and FCC Form 501 - Consumer Complaint Forms: General Complaints, Obscenity or

Indecency Complaints, Complaints under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, and

Slamming Complaints.

Form Number: FCC Form 2000 A through H, FCC Form RDA, FCC Form 475-B, FCC Form

1088 A through H, and FCC Form 501.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit

institutions; State, local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 315,413 respondents; 315,913 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: .25 hours (15 minutes) to .50 hours (30 minutes).

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Voluntary.

Total Annual Burden: 151,047 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: Confidentiality is an issue to the extent that individuals and households provide personally identifiable information, which is covered under the FCC's updated system of records notice (SORN), FCC/CGB-1, "Informal Complaints and Inquiries," which became effective on January 25, 2010.

Privacy Impact Assessment: The FCC completed a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) on June 28, 2007. The PIA may be reviewed at

http://www.fcc.gov/omd/privacyact/Privacy_Impact_Assessment.html. The FCC is in the process of updating the PIA to incorporate various revisions made to the SORN.

Needs and Uses: The Commission consolidated all of the FCC complaint forms into a single collection, which allows the Commission to better manage all forms used to collect informal consumer complaints. This revised information collection requests OMB approval for the minor adjustments needed for the filing of informal complaints alleging violations of the accessibility requirements of section 255 (telecommunications services and equipment), section 716 (advanced communications services or equipment), and section 718 (Internet browsers on mobile phones) of the Communications Act of 1934 (the Act), as amended, and the Commission's

regulations implementing those provisions. 47 U.S.C. 618; 47 CFR 14.30-14.52. Pursuant to the

new enforcement rules that will go into effect on October 8, 2013, informal complaints alleging

violations of section 255 of the Act will no longer be filed on FCC Form 2000C. Instead,

informal complaints alleging violations of sections 255, 716, or 718 of the Act will be filed on

new FCC Form 2000H. In addition, a new Request for Dispute Assistance form (FCC Form

RDA) will be used to initiate the 30-day period that must precede the filing of these informal

complaints. The burdens associated with filing the new 2000H and RDA forms were contained

in and have been extracted from the collection found in OMB control number 3060-1167. All

information collection burdens associated with submission of FCC complaint forms, including

modification of the 2000C form and the creation of the new 2000H and RDA forms, are

consolidated into the collection found in OMB control number 3060-0874.

OMB Control Number: 3060-1167.

Title: Accessible Telecommunications and Advanced Communications Services and

Equipment.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Individuals or households; Businesses or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit

institutions.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 9,549 respondents; 119,816 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: .50 hours (30 minutes) to 40 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual, one time, and on occasion reporting requirements; recordkeeping requirement; third-party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Mandatory. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in sections 1-4, 255, 303(r), 403, 503, 716, 717, and 718 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 151-154, 255, 303(r), 403, 503, 617, 618, and 619.

Total Annual Burden: 409,371 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$291,488.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: Confidentiality is an issue to the extent that individuals and households provide personally identifiable information, which is covered under the FCC's system of records notice (SORN), FCC/CGB-1, "Informal Complaints and Inquiries," which became effective on January 25, 2010. In addition, upon the service of an informal or formal complaint, a service provider or equipment manufacturer must produce to the Commission, upon request, records covered by 47 CFR 14.31 of the Commission's rules and may assert a statutory request for confidentiality for these records. All other information submitted to the Commission pursuant to Subpart D of Part 14 of the Commission's rules or to any other request by the Commission may be submitted pursuant to a request for confidentiality in accordance with 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

Privacy Impact Assessment: The FCC completed a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA) on June 28, 2007. The PIA may be reviewed at

http://www.fcc.gov/omd/privacyact/Privacy_Impact_Assessment.html. The FCC is in the process of updating the PIA to incorporate various revisions made to the SORN.

Needs and Uses: On October 7, 2011, in document FCC 11-151, the FCC released a Report and Order adopting final rules to implement sections 716 and 717 of the Communications Act of 1934 (the Act), as amended, which were added to the Act by the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010 (CVAA). See Pub. L. 111-260, 104. Section 716 of the Act requires providers of advanced communications services and manufacturers of equipment used for advanced communications services to make their services and equipment accessible to individuals with disabilities, unless doing so is not achievable. 47 U.S.C. 617. Section 717 of the Act establishes new recordkeeping requirements and enforcement procedures for service providers and equipment manufacturers that are subject to sections 255, 716, and 718 of the Act. 47 U.S.C. 618. Section 255 of the Act requires telecommunications and interconnected VoIP services and equipment to be accessible, if readily achievable. 47 U.S.C. 255. Section 718 of the Act requires web browsers included on mobile phones to be accessible to and usable by individuals who are blind or have a visual impairment, unless doing so is not achievable. 47 U.S.C. 619.

Among other things, the FCC established procedures in document FCC 11-151 to facilitate the filing of formal and informal complaints alleging violations of sections 255, 716, or 718 of the Act. Those procedures include a nondiscretionary pre-filing notice procedure to facilitate dispute resolution. As a prerequisite to filing an informal complaint, complainants must first request dispute assistance from the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau's Disability Rights Office.

Pursuant to the new enforcement rules that will go into effect on October 8, 2013, these informal

complaints will be filed on a new FCC Form 2000H. In addition, a new Request for Dispute

Assistance form (FCC Form RDA) will be used to initiate the 30-day period which must precede

the filing of an informal complaint. The burdens associated with filing the new 2000H and

Request for Dispute Assistance forms are contained in the collection found in OMB control

number 3060-0874. Therefore, the Commission extracted those burdens from the collection

found in OMB control number 3060-1167. In addition, the Commission has revised its estimate

of the number of requests for dispute assistance and the number of informal complaints that it

expects to receive and the burdens associated with the processing and handling of those requests

and complaints.

Federal Communications Commission.

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